North-Eastern Region to Indian Institute of Entrepreneurship (IIE), Guwahati with the following objectives :—

(i) to ascertain the factors in the emergence of women entrepreneurs;

(ii) to understand the impact of economic status of women entrepreneurs on their domestic roles;

(iii) to examine the attitude of the developmental and promotional agencies towards women entrepreneurs; and

(iv) to examine the difficulties faced by the women entrepreneurship.

IIE, Guwahati has since submitted its report.

Consortium Bank Credit Scheme to NER

4268. SHRI W. ANGOU SINGH : Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state :—

(a) the quantum of funds under consortium Bank credit scheme have been released to the each State of North-Eastern Region; and

(b) measures taken up in each State of North-Eastern Region for giving employment by this credit scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES, AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES, (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE) (a) The funds released under Consortium Bank Credit in different States of North-Eastern Region are indicated at statement (*See* below).

(b) For the promotion of Khadi and Village Industries the Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) is implementing a Margin Money Scheme throughout the country. Under this programme the KVIC provides margin money assistance @ 25% of the project cost upto Rs. 10 lakhs and for the projects above Rs. 10 lakhs and upto Rs. 25 lakhs, an additional margin money @ 10% on the remaining cost of the project is provided. However, for North Eastern Region margin money is given @ 30% of the cost of the project upto Rs. 10 lakhs and for the balance amount (upto Rs. 25 lakhs) it is 10%. The loan portion is met either by the Bank Credit or by the Consortium Banks Credit. For strengthening the Khadi and village industries sector, the Government on 14-5-2001 announced a package. The main features of this package comprises a Rebate Policy for five

years, options of Rebate and Market Development Assistance (MDA), Insurance cover to Khadi artisans, emphasis on improvement of Khadi products, creation of packaging and design facilities measures to promote marketing, brand building, cluster development, focus on core areas and provision of additional working capital.

Statement

Disbursement Under CBC to North East Region

(Rs. in lakhs)

S. No.	States	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000	2000-01
1	Arunachal-Pradesh	74.96	11.39	—	—	—	—
2	Assam	98.72	74.02	—	1.52	1.49	2.73
3	Manipur	223.41	165.15	—	583.69	255.20	623.86
4	Mizoram	274.37	2.80	15.00	734.46	142.82	—
5	Meghalaya	148.08	3.45	—	97.43	—	—
6	Nagaland	832.01	6.55	—	1.57	4.17	—
7	Tripura	66.25	—	—	—	3.05	—
	TOTAL	1717.80	263.36	15.00	1418.67	406.73	626.59

Insurance Cover to Khadi Artisans

4269. SHRI K. KALAVENKATA RAO : Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have finalised a scheme for providing insurance cover to Khadi Artisans in the country;

(b) whether the Life Insurance Corporation of India and General Insurance Corporation have been involved in this venture; and

(c) the estimated number of Artisans likely to be covered under this scheme?